1 2	3	4	5
30. D&NHaveli	51.56	54.82	76.13
31. Daman &Diu	23.07	24.52	34.06
32. Lakshadweep	20.00	2126	29.54
33. Pondicheny	154.14	163.86	227.59
TOTAL:	273240.00	290753.00	403270.00

Compensation to displaced SC agricultural labourers

*537. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

whether Government is paying any compensation to the displaced Scheduled Caste agricultural labourers depending on private land and community land for their survival;

if so, what is the rate of compensation;

what are the provisions available; and

how Government is monitoring the same?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. The Governemnt of India have formulated and notified new National Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy, 2007. This Policy came into force on 31 st October, 2007, and has all the relevant provisions. The policy provides for the minimum benefits that must be offered to the affected families while the requiring bodies are free to offer better benefits than those provided in the policy.

The salient features of the new policy are the following:

Policy covers all cases of involuntary displacement of a permanent nature;

Social Impact Assessment (SIA) introduced for displacement of 400/200 or more families in plain/tribal, hilly, Scheduled Areas, etc.;

Tribal Development Plan in case of displacement of 200 + ST families;

Consultations with Gram Sabhas or public hearings made compulsory;

Principle of rehabilitation before displacement;

If possible, land for land;

Skill development support and preference in project jobs (one person per family);

Rehabilitation Grant in lieu of land/job;

Option for shares in companies implementing projects to affected families;

Housing benefits to all affected families including the landless;

Monthly pension @ Rs. 500/- per month to the vulnerable affected families, such as disabled, destitute, orphans, widows, unmarried girls, etc.;

Assistance for cattle shed (Rs. fifteen thousand);

Transportation cost for shifting of family (Rs. ten thousand);

Land development (Rs. fifteen thousand);

* Rural Artisan, small trader for construction of shop (Rs. twenty five thousand);

Monetary benefits linked to the Consumer Price Index, also to be revised suitably at periodic intervals;

Special benefits for SCs & STs, including continuance of the reservation benefits at the resettlement sites;

Necessary infrastructural facilities and amenities at resettlement areas;

Periphery development by project authorities;

R&R Committee for each Project, to be headed by Administrator for R&R;

Ombudsman for grievance redressal.

In addition to the R&R benefits under the policy, those persons whose lands are acquired are eligible for compensation for their lands acquired as per the provisions of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, where the compensation also includes the market value of the land and solatium @ 30% of the land value.

The Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2007 has been introduced in Lok Sabha during the last Winter Session for giving a statutory backing to the policy. Also, the Land Acquisition (Amendment) Bill, 2007 has been introduced simultaneously, for aligning the provisions of the L.A. Act, 1894, with the goals and objectives of the new R&R policy. In the L.A. (Amendment) Bill, provisions have been made for better calculation of market value of the land acquired, and the solatium is also proposed to be raised to 60% of the value of land (75% in emergency cases).

Strong monitoring mechanism has been provided in the new R&R policy and the proposed R&R Bill, which includes a National Monitoring Committee supported by a National Monitoring Cell, Oversight Committees in all concerned Ministries and Departments of the Government, and a National Rehabilitation Commission to be set up by the Central Government.

The Rehabilitation and Resettlement Bill, 2007 and the Land Acquisition (Amendment) Bill, 2007 are being examined by the Standing Committee on Rural Development.

Funds to rehabilitate surrendered militants

*538. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

the number of attacks perpetrated by extremist groups during the years 2006-07 and 2007-08 in different States and Union Territories;

the number of death-toll and injuries in those attacks;

how many militants have come over to normal life in these years in different States and Union Territories; and